



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, November 17, 2025**

The Library Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, November 17, 2025, at the Ruiz Branch Library in Austin, Texas.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Infante Huerta called the Library Commission meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioners in Attendance:

Sheila Mehta, Vice-Chair
Lynda Infante Huerta, Chair
Pamela Carlile
Dr. Suchitra Gururaj
Melissah Hasdorff
Edward Selig

Commissioners in Attendance Remotely:

Magen Davis
Sara Gore
Andrea Herrera Moreno

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the Library Commission regular meeting on September 29, 2025.

The September 29, 2025, minutes were approved on a motion by Commissioner Selig, seconded by Commissioner Carlile. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote.

2. Approve the minutes of the Library Commission regular meeting on October 27, 2025.

The October 27, 2025, minutes were approved on a motion by Vice Chair Mehta, seconded by Commissioner Gururaj. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

3. Discussion on prospective advocacy initiatives to support the Austin Public Library Centennial Celebrations in 2026.

The Commission discussed potential advocacy initiatives in support of Austin Public Library's Centennial Celebrations in 2026. Proposed actions included submitting a formal recommendation to the City Council advocating for additional funding and support, attending centennial events at branch locations within Commissioners' respective districts, and promoting broader Council and community engagement in centennial-related outreach and activities.

4. Discussion and approval of a Library Commission representative to the Austin Public Library Honorary Centennial Planning Committee.

The motion to approve the appointment of Commissioner Hasdorff and Commissioner Gururaj to Austin Public Library's Honorary Centennial Planning Committee was approved on Commissioner Selig's motion, seconded by Commissioner Carlisle on a 9-0 vote.

5. Approve the 2026 Annual Meeting Schedule of the Library Commission.

The motion to approve the Library Commission 2026 Annual Meeting Schedule was approved on Commissioner Hasdorff's motion, seconded by Vice Chair Mehta on a 9-0 vote.

STAFF BRIEFING

6. Staff briefing on the November APL Public Programming Highlights and Facilities Updates, by Hannah Terrell, Interim Director of Libraries.

The briefing was presented by Hannah Terrell, Interim Director.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

**Austin History Center Association
The Library Foundation
Centennial Opportunities**

Budget
Volunteerism
Capacity Building

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Infante Huerta adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m. without objection.

The November 17, 2025, minutes were approved at the December 15, 2025, regular meeting on a motion by Commissioner Gururaj, seconded by Commissioner Carlile. The motion passed on a 9-0 vote. Chair Infante Huerta absent.